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A COMPLETE list of the acts passed by the legislature in the 60 days composing the constitutional session is published in the Courier-Journal. They number 320 and are of a local nature, save six, which are general in their character. As the cost of the body is about \$1,000 a day it will be seen that each general law cost \$10,000 and that the average of the list is about \$200. The present body may not be any worse than its predecessors, but if a larger lot of monumental jackasses ever assembled at Frankfort the fact is not recorded. There seems to be no head to the big democratic majority, which must be held responsible for the shortcomings of the body. The handful of republicans, under the direction of Bradley and his ilk, are permitted to shape legislation and often to carry their point against the newly-fledged and idiotic mass of alleged democrats, who ought to be at home planting potatoes. The caucus to devise ways and means to pull itself out of the rut was a flat failure and an adjournment was had till to-morrow night, when the probability is that the result will be as before. If the democratic party is to be held responsible for the sins of commission and omission of its legislature, which God forbid, its majority in the State will continue to grow small by degrees and beautifully less.

The Lebanon Enterprise raises an important question, which may cut a large figure in the politics of the country, and perhaps retire our ambitions, but short-legged friend, Billy O'Bradley, who is running himself to death to catch the vice-presidency, or something. It calls upon him to rise and "explain where he got that O' for his name, and relieve the great public mind as to the question of his nativity! Come, now, O'Bradley, honor bright, are you a bloody Irishman, or not?" We have known for a long time that Billy was born in Kilkenny, Ireland, and that his grandfather owned one of the famous cats, which fought until nothing but their tails were left, but we did not wish to ruin the prospects of the prospective Moses, who is to lead the Solid South into the blooming fields of the Republican Canaan, and hence have remained quiet. And we would continue to hold our peace, but for the fact that we cannot tell a lie. Mr. O'Bradley is an Irishman, he gabbers, but had cess to the man who would throw it up at him, as Bro. Craft has done.

The funniest invention ever sent to Washington for a patent was received the other day. A crank, after much mental effort, has evolved a tape-worm trap, which is unique in the extreme. The *modus operandi* is to starve the patent afflicted with the worm till he can stand it no longer and then the trap, properly baited, is set in his mouth. The old tape finding nothing to gorge upon down below crawls up and seeing the tempting morsel goes for it and gets his head clamped for his pains. The trap is withdrawn and along with it is supposed to come the worm, and then he is dispatched with an axe. The invention fills a long-felt want and it will be long before every well-regulated family is supplied with one or two.

The good sisters who met in Temperance Union at Lebanon last week, passed strong resolutions against the use of tobacco, which they characterized as a filthy and pernicious habit, and put the stamp of their disapproval upon the custom of using pictures of women to advertise whisky, tobacco and other like business. They also resolved to use their influence against the desecrated dress of fashionable society. Success may crown their efforts in all save the latter. As long as it is the fashion for women to display their charms, those that have any to speak of are going to do so. At least it has been their nature to up to this time.

The question of Bradley's nativity having been settled by showing that he is an Irishman, which of course makes him ineligible for the vice-presidency, we rise to inquire what's the matter with George Gentry? And while we are up, we beg to suggest a ticket for the republicans, which is as follows, to-wit: Frederick Douglas, of Washington, for president, George Gentry, of Kentucky, vice-president, Platform—What are the white radicals going to do about it?

A wife at Cincinnati has just instituted suit for divorce because she caught her husband having his cravat tied by another woman. For a citizen of Cincinnati she is entirely too sensitive. Most wives there are content with even a small portion of their husband's favors.

A woman at Texarkana, Texas, has just given birth to her third set of triplets, although she has been married but three years. No wonder the population of the Lone Star State is doubling up so rapidly, when one little woman increases it by nine in three short years.

GROVER CLEVELAND has served three of the eight years he is sure to serve as President of this great country. A year from last Sunday will see him re-inaugurated and the grandest demonstrations of public approval ever known.

Mr. CARLISLE, who is still with his sick son in Kansas, has been interviewed on the tariff reduction bill, which is ready to be presented to the House. He says: "It is a very conservative measure, and ought to be passed. The existing financial and industrial situation would have justified a much more radical measure in some respects, but there are always so many differences of opinion about details and so much apprehension about the effects of proposed changes in the rates of duty that it is impossible to do exactly what ought to be done." Regarding the result of the national convention, he expresses the general opinion when he says: "I believe the renomination of Mr. Cleveland as the democratic candidate is a foregone conclusion, and I have entertained no other opinion for more than a year. There will be no serious opposition to his nomination, and his re-election is as certain as any future event can be."

For the brave soldiers who answered their country's call in the hour of need and with heroic patriotism fought to save it without hope of reward or expectation of pension, we have the highest regard, and believe that such of them as are deserving of it should be liberally pensioned. But for the lazy fellows who did nothing in the army but destroy its ratings and who now want the country to support them in their idleness, we have a very natural contempt, as every honest man should. The country owes it to its defenders to protect them from want, but it is not the part of a government to contribute to the support of pension sharks, bounty-jumpers and coffee-coolers.

The Owensboro Messenger is now owned by a corporation composed of Froy Woodson, who is president, Geo. E. Bridges, vice-president and Cicero T. Sutton secretary. Mr. C. W. Bransford, who, with Mr. Woodson, owned the paper, sold his half interest and retired, after ten years of honorable service. Mr. Woodson will continue to be the editor, which means that it will be as heretofore one of the clearest and best papers in the State, while Mr. Sutton, an old and excellent newspaper man, will do the local department. Here's looking at the "corporators" and hoping that the good will of that \$50,000 libel suit goes with the purchase.

The democratic House at Washington has set the opposition an example that it will never follow. It does not unseat a member whose seat is contested, simply because he is a republican, but decides in favor of the contestant which can show the clearest title to his seat, be he democrat or what not. The committee on elections on Saturday unanimously decided to report in favor of the claims of Mr. Post, the republican sitting member from the 10th Illinois district.

Judge Ryan decided, after several days' deliberation, what he might have decided at once, that he has no jurisdiction in the Hattfield habeas corpus cases, and that the prisoners are not illegally held, if he had. They are therefore remanded to the Pikeville jail. The man disclaim any part in the business and told Judge Barr they would have remained in Pikeville in preference to being brought to Louisville had they been consulted.

The prohibitionists are the first to hold a State convention to select delegates to the national convention, which assemblies in Indianapolis June 20th. They will assemble in Leidenkranz Hall, Louisville, April 12th. Each county is entitled to one vote for every 25 cast for Judge F. T. Fox, which gives Lincoln 15. The railroads will give special rates and all the prominent hotels will make reductions to the delegates.

There is need of a general re-organization of the democratic committee in this county and not a single member of the present body is averse to stepping down and out. In fact nearly all of them are anxious to do so as soon as their successors can be appointed, which can be done when the convention meets to appoint delegates to the convention, which is to send representatives to the national convention at St. Louis.

The pharmacy bill as passed the House requires that druggists in towns of 1,000 or more inhabitants shall hold diplomas or certificates of competency from the State Board of Pharmacy. If it becomes a law there will still be nothing to prevent the man with \$5 worth of drugs and \$100 worth of whisky to set up a "drug" store in villages and cross-road settlements.

The democrats of Lexington elected their municipal ticket from a 2 just as easy as rolling off a log, notwithstanding the superhuman efforts of the radicals, assisted by disgruntled democrats. This is another black eye for Bradley, who had been sitting up with the corpse there for many nights.

The biggest lie of the season comes Covington, Ga., where it is claimed a shoe-maker's sign from Mt. Vernon, Ill., fell from the sky about a week after the cyclone took it from its place. No wonder the Psalmist exclaimed, "Lord, how this country is prone to lying!"

A member referred to Gen. Speed Fry as a "gaseous substance," a "big puff of nothing," &c. This is too bad. The redoubtable hero of Mill Springs ought to have drawn his little gun and killed him like he did Zollicoffer!

Every self-respecting Kentuckian ought to shun the Cincinnati Enquirer as long as it employs the infamous Gath to traduce its citizens. His latest attack is on Billy Brockbridge and the whole Brockbridge family, because that gentleman has embraced several occasions to present the tariff for revenue sentiment which now pervades the democratic party. Gath is the bitterest of protection republicans and since Joe Blackburn pulled his dirty nose has had nothing but calumny for Kentuckians generally. By airing his views and grievances in an alleged democratic paper he is able to do much more harm than he would if his gall were presented in a republican sheet, and for this reason the paper which publishes his slush should be abolished.

NEWS CONDENSED.

—The public debt was reduced last month \$7,750,390.

—A deficit in the Dauphin County, Pa., Treasury of \$43,000 has been discovered.

—For the first time in the history of Kansas City not a saloon was open Sunday.

—Owing to a lack of funds the Lexington signal station will be discontinued April 1.

—Governor Buckner has revoked all rewards offered for sundry persons prior to Jan. 1, 1887.

—W. C. Bullock, the oldest and foremost member of the Shelby bar, died Saturday aged 70.

—Dr. David Bell, the oldest practicing physician in Central Kentucky, died at Lexington, aged 78.

—M. E. Ingalls has been elected President of the reorganized Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company.

—Richard Lambert, a well-known contractor of Covington, suicided by cutting his throat with a razor.

—An entire block at 41st and Lexington streets, New York, was consumed by fire, causing a loss of \$750,000.

—The Wisconsin Supreme Court decided that it is unconstitutional to imprison a man for drunkenness.

—The House passed the bill to pay Gov. Morrill \$6,071 balance due on services as Minister to Mexico.

—The Margarita Winery and Distillery, near Fresno, Cal., containing over 200,000 gallons of wine, was burned.

—Edwin Barbour, of Culpepper C. H., Va., shot and killed Ellis Williams Barbour is a nephew of U. S. Senator-elect Barbour.

—Sam Casey, a sporting man at Nashville, shot and killed Charles Kimball, of the L. & N., because he insulted his girl.

—Robert Hubert was convicted at Marquette, Mich., of having ravished a little girl of four years. He will get the extreme penalty.

—During the year 1887 there were 73 new manufacturing enterprises started in Louisville, employing 1,621 hands and \$1,290,500 of capital.

—W. L. Reason, the murderer of the girl named Watkins, jumped from the train while being taken to St. Louis and was fearfully mangled.

—The Cumberland Valley Bank here has been opened for business under charter just one week and already its deposits amount to \$45,000. [Barbourville News.]

—There will be half-rate excursions on the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad to Richmond, Va., on March 13 and 17 and April 10 and 24, tickets good returning for ten days.

—A very severe blizzard is raging throughout Northern Minnesota. Trains are blocked and business in Duluth is suspended. The snow is the deepest of the season.

—Nancy Anderson, the old rag picker, who is known in Lexington as "Old Boss," was run over by a Chesapeake and Ohio freight and had both of her legs cut off.

—An engine standing in the Missouri Pacific round-house at St. Louis started itself on a run and dashed through the building, tearing itself and three other engines to pieces.

—The strike of the engineers on the C. & O. continues with both sides claiming ultimate victory. The road is running passenger trains and the freight traffic is resumed to a partial extent.

—A dispatch from New Mexico states that the strike of conductors and brakemen on the Atlantic and Pacific road is complete throughout the entire line, and business on the road is virtually suspended.

—The total increase in the taxable property of 33 counties reported to the auditor is \$8,238,742. The remaining 33 counties are expected to handsomely increase this sum.

—Robert L. Goodin shot at a muskrat swimming on a pond near Lebanon and the ball glanced, striking Ben Cowherd, who was standing 50 yards off, and killing him instantly.

—Gov. McCreary's bill providing for a Congress of American Republics for the purpose of promoting arbitration and encouraging reciprocal friendly relations, was passed by the House.

—Senator Beck says that if the Pumper Pension bill now before the Senate becomes a law as Senator Plumb proposes to amend it, the cost to the tax-payers will amount to double \$500,000,000.

—The British garrison at Suakin was savagely attacked by the rebels, who were finally repulsed, leaving several hundred dead and wounded upon the field. On the British side Col. Tapan and five of his men were killed and 14 wounded.

—The French schooner *Fluer de la Mer* has foundered off the Island of Cayenne. Sixty passengers were drowned.

—E. A. McLeod, postmaster at Palmyra, Mo., who was short in his accounts \$700, hanged himself to a chandelier in the circuit court room.

—Miss Alice Ricketts, an attractive young lady, hanged herself near Brady's Station, Indiana, because the man to whom she was to be married broke the engagement.

—The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers embraces 350 divisions, with 30,000 members, in the United States, Canada and Mexico. The organization originated in Michigan in 1864. Arthur has been grand chief since 1874.

—The Shelby County Trust Company has organized at Shelbyville, with a capital stock of \$50,000, and is authorized to act as executor, administrator, guardian, trustee, assignee, collect rents and manage estates of married women.

—At a family dinner Thursday Valentine Winters, a venerable banker of Dayton, O., distributed half a million dollars among his six children and the heirs of two others who are dead. He had in 1882 divided \$100,000 among them.

—Ten shares of stock in the Chemical Bank, New York, were sold on the stock exchange at \$3,000 a share, Friday. This bank pays an annual dividend of 150 per cent, and last year paid out in that item alone \$300,000 besides carrying a surplus of twice that amount.

—James C. Britton called Hugh Kerron a liar in the court room at Harrodsburg and pulled his little pop on him. Thereupon Judge Hughes, after finding him \$30 for contempt, had a jury summoned and he was immediately given 30 days in jail with the usual \$25 fine.

—The Senate district committee by a vote of 6 to 3 rejected the bill providing for prohibition in the District of Columbia and then by a vote of 8 to 1 favored local option, with the understanding that if prohibition was not adopted by the popular vote, high license would be instituted.

—A conductor, who was discharged from the service of the Lake Erie road, without any cause being assigned, has brought suit against the company for \$50,000 damages, because the discharge implies that he has been "knocking down" fares. Perhaps he had better let well enough alone.

—Mrs. Langtry, the Jersey Lily, whose beauty caused such a furore a few years ago, seems to be playing in hard lines. During her engagement at McVickers, Chicago, last week, her scenery and costumes and her private car were seized for debt, much of it for jewelry, and she had to close for the week.

—A dispatch states that contracts have been let for the building of a road which will connect with the Cincinnati Southern at the Tennessee line and run thence to Cumberland Gap, crossing the Louisville & Nashville at Jellico. A party of engineers, under R. H. Young, have been surveying the proposed route for several months and have completed their work.

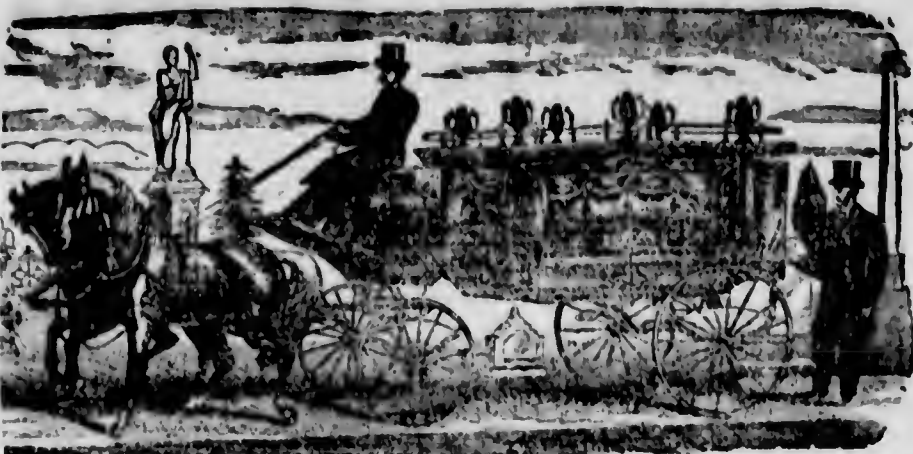
—B. T. Gividen shot and killed B. H. Lawrence in Louisville in a quarrel over \$5 that the former had lent the latter. Lawrence was a relative of the Churchills and other noted to men and his father, who was also killed, left him \$125,000 which he had run through with. The shot was fired with his own pistol, which Gividen wrested from his hand.

—Ex-President Huntington of the Chesapeake and Ohio, denies that he was frozen out of office, and says his resignation was voluntary. He further states that President Ingalls, his successor, will give the road a Chicago outlet. A rumor is current that the Drexel-Morgan syndicate has obtained control of the property, though Mr. H. says he owns six times more stock than any other one man.

—The jury in the case of Montgomery who killed his sweetheart in Owen county, because she preferred another fellow, failed to agree and were discharged. At the time of the commission of the deed, it took sharp dodging by the officials to get Montgomery to Louisville before a mob made short work of him. Afterwards, while in jail there, he attempted to starve himself to death, but weakened after a week's fast.

—A terrible collision occurred on the Cincinnati Southern between Pine Knot and the State line about 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Two freights, No. 15 and 20, manned by conductors Green, Pouch and John Taylor collided one mile south of Pine Knot. Fireman John Adam, of Lexington, was killed and Lee Perkins, who was stealing a ride, was fatally injured. Pouch was badly hurt and several others were more or less severely injured.

—Tom Forsythe, who confessed to the murder of the county treasurer at Carthage, Texas, whom he robbed of \$6,000, was taken out of jail by a mob, carried to a tree, his hands tied behind him, and a rope placed around his neck. A ladder was put up and he ascended, requesting that he be allowed to execute himself. A word of command was given by the leader of the lynchers and Forsythe jumped from the limb. His neck was broken and death occurred instantaneously.



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